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For: METHOD FOR OBTAINING *IN VITRO* RECOMBINANT POLYNUCLEOTIDE
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STATUS INQUIRY

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The above-captioned Nonprovisional Application, a continuation of PCT/FR99/01973 was filed on November 28, 2000. To date, Applicants have not received a first Office Action.

It appears that all formal requirements with regard to the application have been satisfied. Nonetheless, Applicants have not received any communication on the merits from the Patent Office. Applicants would appreciate an indication as to when he might receive the first communication on the merits from the Patent Office. Applicants would appreciate receiving a reply to this inquiry by telephone or facsimile as soon as possible.

If Applicants or its representative may be of any assistance to the Patent Office in connection with this matter, the undersigned counsel would welcome a telephone call or other communication from the Patent Office.

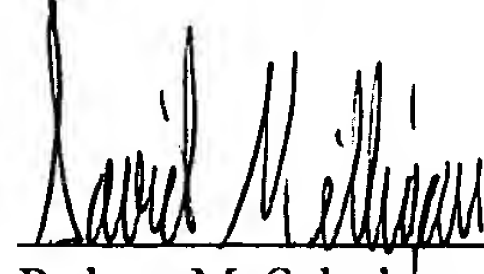
It is believed that no fee is due in connection with this filing. However, in the event that any fees are necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

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